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BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2059)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act requiring the construction and maintenance of rumble
- 2 strips on certain highways, and including applicability
- 3 provisions.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 321.260A Rumble strips.
- 2 l. As used in this section, "rumble strips" means a series
- 3 of rough-textured, slightly raised or depressed grooves
- 4 along the surface of a roadway used to alert motor vehicle
- 5 operators about upcoming road conditions, including an upcoming
- 6 traffic-control signal or device.
- 7 2. Any governmental entity which exercises jurisdiction
- 8 over a highway under section 306.4 shall construct and maintain
- 9 rumble strips in advance of all stop signs and traffic-control
- 10 signals located on a highway under the governmental entity's
- 11 control where the highway enters or crosses a primary highway.
- 12 This subsection does not apply if the segment of the highway
- 13 on which the rumble strips would be constructed is unpaved,
- 14 is inside the limits of any incorporated city, is within two
- 15 hundred yards of a person's bona fide residence dwelling, or
- 16 has a speed limit of less than fifty-five miles per hour.
- 17 Sec. 2. STATE MANDATE FUNDING SPECIFIED. In accordance
- 18 with section 25B.2, subsection 3, the state cost of requiring
- 19 compliance with any state mandate included in this Act shall
- 20 be paid by a political subdivision from road use tax fund
- 21 moneys received by the political subdivision under chapter 310,
- 22 312, or 312A. This specification of the payment of the state
- 23 cost shall be deemed to meet all of the state funding-related
- 24 requirements of section 25B.2, subsection 3, and no additional
- 25 state funding shall be necessary for the full implementation of
- 26 this Act by and enforcement of this Act against all affected
- 27 political subdivisions.
- 28 Sec. 3. APPLICABILITY.
- 29 l. This Act applies to highways constructed on or after the
- 30 effective date of this Act.
- 31 2. This Act applies to a highway constructed before the
- 32 effective date of this Act if the segment of the highway on
- 33 which rumble strips would otherwise be required under section
- 34 321.260A, as enacted in this Act, is improved pursuant to a
- 35 planned improvement project commenced on or after the effective

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1 date of this Act. During the planned improvement project, the

- 2 governmental entity exercising jurisdiction over the highway
- 3 shall cause rumble strips to be constructed on the segment of
- 4 highway being improved unless rumble strips are not required
- 5 under section 321.260A or unless rumble strips have previously
- 6 been constructed on the segment of highway in compliance with
- 7 section 321.260A.
- 8 EXPLANATION
- 9 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with 10 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 11 This bill requires any governmental entity which exercises
- 12 jurisdiction over a highway to construct and maintain rumble
- 13 strips on certain highways. The bill defines the term "rumble
- 14 strips". Under the bill, rumble strips are required in advance
- 15 of all stop signs and traffic-control signals located on a
- 16 highway where the highway enters or crosses a primary highway.
- 17 However, rumble strips are not required if the segment of
- 18 highway is unpaved, is inside the limits of any incorporated
- 19 city, is within 200 yards of a person's bona fide residence
- 20 dwelling, or has a speed limit of less than 55 miles per hour.
- 21 The bill may include a state mandate as defined in Code
- 22 section 25B.3. The bill requires that the state cost of any
- 23 state mandate included in the bill be paid by a political
- 24 subdivision from road use tax fund moneys received by
- 25 the political subdivision. The specification is deemed
- 26 to constitute state compliance with any state mandate
- 27 funding-related requirements of Code section 25B.2. The
- 28 inclusion of this specification is intended to reinstate the
- 29 requirement of political subdivisions to comply with any state
- 30 mandates included in the bill.
- 31 The bill applies to highways constructed on or after the
- 32 effective date of the bill, and to a highway constructed before
- 33 the effective date of the bill if the segment of the highway
- 34 on which rumble strips would otherwise be required is improved
- 35 pursuant to a planned improvement project commenced on or after

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- 1 the effective date of the bill. During the planned improvement
- 2 project, the governmental entity exercising jurisdiction over
- 3 the highway must construct rumble strips on the segment of the
- 4 highway being improved unless rumble strips are not required or
- 5 unless rumble strips have previously been constructed on the
- 6 segment of highway in accordance with the bill.